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**MEMORANDUM FOR: USIB Principals**

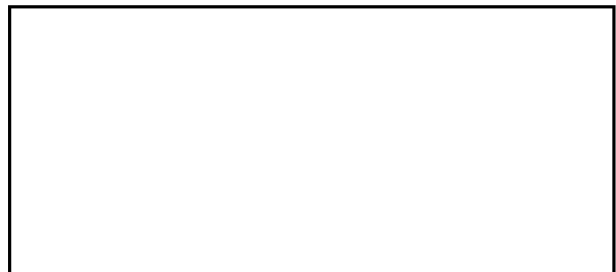
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/s/ W. E. Colby

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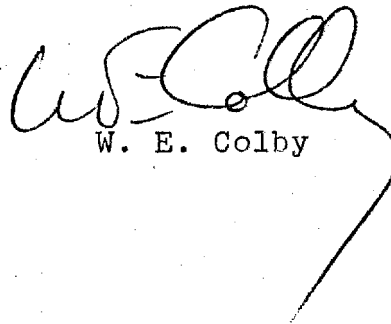
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<b>Remarks:</b>  Mr. Colby told me prior to his recent trip that he would have to "reach a decision on DCID 1/2" early in October.  The attached memorandum specifically raises that issue and proposes that prior to reaching a decision he obtain comments from the USIB principals on five questions.  <i>For info.</i> We are already overdue on getting the DCID 1/2 revision underway if the decision is made to go that route so I suggest the attached memorandum be brought to the attention of Mr. Colby as soon as possible.			
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